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Research, Education, and Economics Agricultural Research Service

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SUBJECT: ARS NEPA ARRA Section 1609 Report Data

TO: Ms. Nancy Sutley, Chair

Counsel on Environmental Quality

Executive Office of the President

FROM: Terry L. Roark, Chief

Safety, Health, and Environmental Management Branch

Please find attached the subject report for the Agricultural Research Service, Department of Agriculture. It is provided in accordance with your April 3, 2009 memorandum entitled, "Environmental Compliance and Guidance for Reporting NEPA Status and Progress for Recovery Act Activities and Projects." We are waiting for the Office of Management and Budget to approve our list of critically deferred maintenance projects. Contracts will be used to obligate the funding.

Please contact me on 301-504-1250 should questions arise.